

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (original): Element (1) for opening and/or closing doors, gates or windows, comprising a first part (2) designed to operate a closing mechanism by rotation, and a second rotatable part (3) designed to transfer a rotary motion to the first part (2), characterized in that the element (1) has been provided with one or several push buttons (4), so that, when at least one button (4) is pushed, the rotary motion of the second part (3) is transferred to the first part (2).

2. (original): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to claim 1, characterized in that, when none of these push buttons (4) is pushed, the second part (3) is freely rotatable with respect to the first part (2).

3. (currently amended): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to ~~the claims 1 or 2,~~ claim 1, characterized in that the element (1) comprises a connecting piece (5) provided with bulges (6), so that when pushing one or several push buttons (4), these bulges (6) will engage recesses (7) provided in the first part (2).

4. (original): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to claim 3, characterized in that the push buttons (4) have been provided with an inclined plane (8) which, when one or several push buttons (4) are pushed, will engage one or several inclined planes (9) provided on the said connecting piece (5).

5. (currently amended): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, characterized in that the element (1) has been provided with at least two push buttons (4), so that when pushing at least one push button (4) the rotary motion of the second part (3) will be transferred to the first part (2).

6. (currently amended): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to ~~any one of the claims 3 up to and including 5,~~ claim 3, characterized in that between the connecting piece (5) and the first part (2) a spring (10) has been provided, so that the push button (4) is movable against the force of the spring.

7. (original): Element (1) for doors, gates or windows according to claim 6, characterized in that on one or several push buttons (4) a total force of at least 25 Newton has to be exerted in order to make the said bulges (6) engage the said recesses (7).

8. (currently amended): Element (1) according to ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, characterized in that the said element (1) is made of synthetic material or of metal.

9. (currently amended): Element (1) according to ~~any one of the preceding claims,~~ claim 1, characterized in that the said element (1) is a rotary knob.